RESOLUTION NO. 77 Lt. Colonel Lonneal Richardson

WHEREAS, it has come to our attention that the Salvation Army's Lt. Colonel Lonneal Richardson will be moving on; and

WHEREAS, Lt. Colonel Richardson was commissioned in the Heralds of Hope Session in 1983; and

WHEREAS, he has served in corps appointments in Evanston, Illinois; Detroit; Harding, Michigan; Grand Rapids, Michigan; and South Bend, Indiana; in 1999 he was appointed to the Metropolitan Division as Divisional Secretary and, three years later, as General Secretary; and

WHEREAS, in 2004, he was appointed as General Secretary and City Commander of the Salvation Army in St Louis, and in 2007 he was appointed Divisional Commander in 2007; and

WHEREAS, Lt. Colonel Richardson holds a bachelor's degree in Business from Cornerstone University; he was a delegate in the 158th session of the Salvation Army's International College of Officers in 1998; and

WHEREAS, he has served on the territory's Literacy Council, and the NHQ Cross Cultural Commission.

WHEREAS, he and his wife, Patty, received the territory's Excellence in Cross Cultural Ministry award in 1993; and he received the Outstanding Alumni Achievement Award from Cornerstone University in 2005.

WHEREAS, Lt. Colonel Richardson holds a seat on the Missouri Governor's Task Force to End Homelessness; and

WHEREAS, he has had a passion for Urban Ministries throughout his officership, looking for ways to improve Salvation Army outreach and impact in urban areas; he worked with the Institute for Black Family Development while in Detroit and created the Youth Enrichment Institute, which focused on improving education performance, school attendance, and job readiness for underachieving high school students and provided mentorship to them with the help of local African American educational, religious, and community leaders; and

WHEREAS, he continues to work with various local and state organizations and other partners to provide a holistic approach to Salvation Army ministry and to position The Salvation Army in the division where it can help redeem broken societal systems; and

WHEREAS, his wife, Patty, has worked with youth and leadership development for women in a supportive role for this region; they have three sons and are the proud grandparents of one granddaughter; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we honor Lt. Colonel Richardson for his work serving the homeless and veterans.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we thank Lt. Colonel Lonneal Richardson for his many years of service with The Salvation Army as he turns to a new stage of his career. We further instruct the Clerk to spread a copy of this resolution over the permanent rolls of this Board, as well as a commemorative copy to the end that it might be presented at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 24th day of June, 2016, by:

Adopted this the 24th day of June, 2016, as attested by:	
Timothy O'Connell	Lewis E. Reed
Clerk, Board of Aldermen	President, Board of Aldermen